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SUBJECT: FISHERIES: MARINE FISHERIES CONSERVATION BILL

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1. FOLLOWING IS CONGRESSIONAL RECORD DAILY DIGEST
SUMMARY OF DEBATE ON H.R. 200, PROCEDURAL MATTERS
DELETED:

2. QUOTE BY A YEA-AND-NAY VOTE OF 208 YEAS TO 101 NAYS
WITH ONE VOTING "PRESENT," THE HOUSE PASSED H.R. 200,
TO EXTEND ON AN INTERIM BASIS THE JURISDICTION OF THE
UNITED STATES OVER CERTAIN OCEAN AREAS AND FISH IN ORDER
TO PROTECT THE DOMESTIC FISHING INDUSTRY.

3. QUOTE AGREED TO: AN AMENDMENT THAT LIMITS THE DEFINITION OF HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES TO TUNA;
AN AMENDMENT THAT REMOVES THE MANDATORY REPRISALS
REQUIRED BY THE ACT AGAINST ANY NATION THAT REFUSES TO
COMMENCE NEGOTIATIONS IN REGARD TO RECIPROCAL FISHING
RIGHTS WITHIN THE 200-MILE ZONE;
AN AMENDMENT THAT REQUIRES THAT LICENSE FEES COLLECTED
AND DEPOSITED TO A TREASURY ACCOUNT BE SUBJECT TO THE
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APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS;

AN AMENDMENT THAT CHANGES THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE

REGIONAL MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL; AND

AN AMENDMENT THAT PROVIDES THAT THE REFUSAL TO ALLOW ANY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY TO BOARD A SHIP FOR INSPECTION IS NOT PROHIBITED OR UNLAWFUL IF IT IS A RIGHT PROTECTED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW.

4. REJECTED: AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS IN THE ACT WOULD BE ON AN INTERIM BASIS UNTIL AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT HAS BEEN CONCLUDED; AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO DELETE THE SECTION DECLARING THE FINDINGS OF THE CONGRESS THAT THE FISHING FOR COASTAL AND ANADROMOUS SPECIES IS PERFORMED ON HIGH SEAS WITH NO REGIME OF LAW; AND THE SECTION DECLARING THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE ACT IS NOT TO AUTHORIZE ANY IMPEDIMENT TO LAWFUL ACTIVITIES ON THE HIGH SEAS EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO THE CONSERVATION OF FISHERIES RESOURCES: AN AMENDMENT THAT PROHIBITS FISHING BY FOREIGN STATES WITHIN THE ZONE BEFORE JULY 1, 1976; AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO PROVIDE THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 200-MILE ZONE WOULD BE ON AN INTERIM BASIS UNTIL AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT HAS BEEN RATIFIED; AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO STRIKE LANGUAGE REQUIRING AN IMPORT PROHIBITION ON FISH PRODUCTS FROM NATIONS IN VIOLATION OF THE PURPOSES OF THE ACT; AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO STRIKE LANGUAGE EXTENDING THE AUTHORITY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES OVER STATE JURISDICTION OF FISHERIES WITHIN THE 3-MILE ZONE; AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO ALLOW THE PRESIDENT TO SUSPEND THE PROVISIONS REGARDING ENFORCEMENT IF HE DEEMS IT IS IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST (REJECTED BY RECORDED VOTE OF 128 AYES TO 196 NOES); AND AN AMENDMENT THAT SOUGHT TO PROVIDE THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD CONSENT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLAIM OR CONTROVERSY ARISING AS A RESULT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT. END QUOTE. END DAILY DIGEST SUMMARY.

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